



The Importance of Petroleum

Petroleum is the most important of the bitumens and next to coal the most important of all carbon compounds; also the development of significance took place barely one-half a century ago. The production has increased by tremendous strides until today the output has reached enormous proportions. There is no sea whose waters are not churned by oil steamships, no country whose roads have not seen the oil-driven motor car, and no village in the civilized world in which a flame of kerosene or other form of petroleum does not illuminate some thousands of miles of highways are kept free from dust or otherwise improved by use of petroleum oil. The Panama Canal was only made feasible by the use of oil which made the region habitable for the workmen by killing the malaria infected mosquito. Oil again is of vital importance to any navy in the world and no one realized it better than Great Britain.

We are realizing, and quite right, the transcendent importance to our industrial future of getting into our hands the control of as much oil material as possible. In oil we have the raw material second to none in its usefulness. Indispensable indeed to the process of modern manufacture and transportation and offering itself as a supreme test of whatever aptitude we may possess for commerce and statesmanship on a big scale. The best policy for us as a nation is to encourage the investment of capital in oil enterprise to develop our great petroleum resources and prospects. Since the armistice was signed oil has played an important part in the framing of the World Peace. The British Government has taken over the controlling ownership of the Anglo Persian Oil Company and has practically insured a mandate over Persia to safeguard its interests. An Army is being maintained in Mesopotamia at a cost of over \$5,000,000 a day and it is scarcely denied that the existence of some of the greatest oil fields in the world in that region have been a large feature in dictating the policy of military occupation. Moreover, this indication of national policy has been reflected among the individual and private companies, and there never was a time in the world's history when prospecting for new fields was more earnestly undertaken and more widespread in its sphere of operation.

The World's visible supply of oil is growing pretty steadily although this course received a check during the war years. Over 580,000,000 barrels of crude oil, about 80 million tons is an official estimate of the production of 1918, and since then the output has naturally largely increased. For some time past about two-thirds of the World's supply has come from the United States. During the war the United States supplied the Allies with 80 per cent of their oil requirements, whether for naval oil, fuel petroleum for land transportation or lubricating oils which were used in such large quantities. Indeed the oil deposit of the United States has been worked so extensively the authorities competent to judge are beginning to show alarm over the exhaustion of the supply, and this fact makes the prospecting for new fields more important. The United States Government officials made a statement a few months ago of the careful survey of the oil resources of that country, that at the present rate of exhaustion the remaining oil deposit of the United States will last about thirty years; moreover, it must not be forgotten that oil cannot be replaced. For mer Secretary of the Interior, Franklin K. Land, puts it clearly when he said trees can be grown again on the soil from which they have been taken, but how can petroleum be reproduced. It has taken ages for nature to distill it in her subterranean laboratories. We do not even know her process and no substitute so far has been discovered. It is practically the one motor fuel and the one lubricant of the world today. Not a train goes nor a factory operates and not a wheel turns that petroleum in some kind of form is not used. Take petroleum away and the industrial work of the whole world will be at a standstill. With an ever-increasing consumption of oil in the United States and Canada and limited supplies, the importance of discovering new fields within the British Empire or in lands in which British interests predominate, becomes more insistent. Petroleum is a vital necessity to the British Navy for the swiftest and biggest warships burn oil fuel exclusively. During the war attempts were made in Derbyshire and elsewhere to obtain mineral oil by drilling wells and met with some success, yet it is certain that for the bulk of her supplies Britain must depend on shipments from overseas. It is for this reason that the importance of a new find of oil in the North West Territory, Canada, takes a special interest.

Alberta

The possibilities of Alberta as an oil field has induced the drilling of a large number of test wells. The area within which a possible oil field and very probable gas field may be found can be outlined as a belt extending from Saskatchewan by way of the Viking fields, northwest to Athabasca river near Athabasca and thence in a broad curve to the Peace River below Peace River Land-

Government and Oil. Notice to Farmers re Pool Meeting

With another session about to open at Ottawa, it is to be hoped that the government is giving consideration to the measures that are required to encourage oil prospecting in this province. These have been urged upon it from time to time and a strong case made out for them.

It is particularly desirable that the budget should provide for the admission of oil drilling machinery on more favorable terms. Two years ago Mr. Fielding, in his budget speech, declared that the government was anxious to encourage such exploration and announced that certain kinds of equipment would be admitted free as well as seamless tubing over four inches in diameter. But the customs department gave a ruling which practically nullified the good intent of the finance minister. Heavy standard equipment remained subject to a duty of 35 per cent, and it is necessary to remove this duty if operators across the line are to be tempted to come into Alberta and try their luck. A further impetance to the movement north will be given, if not only seamless but other varieties of oil and gas well casing should be designated for free entry.

There is no extensive industry in the dominion which would be affected by these tariff changes and the customs revenue now obtained is of small account as compared with the benefits which would accrue from oil discoveries. There are many operators now in Montana who would like to cross the border and do some drilling here, but few of them are inclined to pay the present heavy imposts. It has been suggested that, if the government is unwilling to remove the duties permanently, it should arrange to allow outfits to be brought in under bond for a period of one or two years on the understanding that they would be returned to the country of origin at the expiration of that time.

In this way a decided stimulus would be given to the work of uncovering the oil resources of the existence of which on a large scale so much evidence exists. The results obtained recently in the Wainwright field and in that south of Calgary are sufficient to show how well worth while further prospecting effort is likely to prove and those who are willing to take the risk which this involves should have things made as easy for them as possible. Any profit which they may make will be very small alongside that which the country as a whole will derive from their success.

There is also the matter of amending the oil regulations so as to provide for fixity of contract. A deputation waited on the minister of the interior in Edmonton last October and pointed out to him the difficulty of interesting outside capital when the regulations could be changed at will by order-in-council. Mr. Stewart expressed himself as impressed with the soundness of the representations made to him and promised to do what lay in his power to eliminate the element of uncertainty. The interview was a very satisfactory one and early action along these lines was looked for. It should not be further delayed.

If the government does its part, a year of great activity, which should have substantial results, may be expected.



Mush! Mush!

Through the streets of Quebec. Even driving through these historic by-ways in the caiche does not have the charm of a run through them in a husky-drawn carriage. There's a tang in the air and such an atmosphere as could be found nowhere else. Exhilarating and full of color and life. This is the Chateau Frontenac team.

ing, therefore encircling the great depression of Central Alberta. A broadening of the belt northward from this line is evident in the Athabasca Valley as the oil in the McMurray tar sands seems to be connected with the possibilities of the whole area.

Pool meeting in Irma, February 14th at 2 P. M.

Very successful meetings have been held at Wainwright, Edgerton and Chauvin, where canvassing committees have been selected to cover their respective districts to obtain contract signers for the livestock, dairy and poultry pools. At several meetings along the line, bankers, business men and others have volunteered to help the farmers to organize these pools just as they did during the wheat pool drive.

Similar movements are in progress in the United States which have been endorsed by President Coolidge. In a recent radio message broadcasted by President Coolidge on co-operative marketing, the President among other things said, "Every citizen among us has a personal concern in the welfare of the farmer. The fortune of all of us will in the end go up or down with his. If we ever permit our farming population to fall to the level of a mere agricultural peasantry they will carry down with them the general social and economic level. The farmer is not only a producer he is likewise a merchant. It does him no good to get quantity production—in fact it may do him harm—unless he also can have scientific marketing."

A meeting for the purpose of organizing the livestock and dairy pools will be held at Irma on Saturday, afternoon, February 14th at 2 P. M.

All locals north and south from Jarrow to Battle River are asked to have as many representatives present as possible. Mr. J. Slattery of Camrose will speak on the Livestock Pool and J. R. Love will speak on behalf of the Dairy Pool. A large attendance is requested as it is only possible to hold meetings at central points in order to cover the Province before seeding time.

IRMA SCHOOL REPORT JANUARY

Senior Room
GRADE VIII.—Dennis Barber 84, Edith Hostrup 72, Lorne Milburn 70, Maude Smallwood 67, Evaline Herbert 66, William Blade 34, Douglas Hatch, not graded.
GRADE VII.—Imogene Colby 78, Kenneth Matheson 77, Frank Maguire 64, Vera Herbert 42, Myrtle Glasgow, not graded.
GRADE VI.—Grace Love 79, Lucille Guitner 71, Gerald Glasgow 26.
GRADE V.—Ethel Milburn 90, Eleanor Barber 87, Violet Simmons 85, Nancy Hewitt 84, Bernice Matheson 83, Vera Herbert 54, Marie Colby 51, Beulah Blade 50, Clara Sharkey 46, Herbert Kelm 46, Eva Congdon 28, Erziel Sharkey 20, Ivor Colby, not graded.
B. Borden, Teacher.

High School Attendance and Results of January Tests

Enrolment for month 22. Number of days school was open 20. Percentage of attendance 84.

In this month five tests were given, and the following is the standing in order of merit. The figure in brackets after name indicates the number of subjects in which student obtained honors, that is 70 per cent or more; the letter H after name indicates an average honor standing on all subjects.
GRADE XI.—Georgina Fenton (9),illian Sanders (3), Darrel Peterson (1), Hazel Murphy (1), Wayne Mitchell (1).
GRADE X.—Arnold Tucker (H), Alex Smallwood (1), George Fischer (1), Hazel Congdon (3), Nelwyn Peterson.

GRADE IX.—Alice Sisson (H), Orvil Fischer (H), Annie Kennedy (2), Ruth Schultz (1), William Kelm (3), Margaret Newberry (1), Wendell Mitchell, Earl Lennon.
The following were absent when tests were given—Violet Landers, Mabel Lymburner, Jean McLean, Charlie Miles.

Junior Room Report of the Irma Public School.

GRADE IV.—Kai Hostrup 90, Robert Maguire 84, Agnes Lattner 70, Murray Guitner 76, James Fleming 61, Clifford Smallwood, not graded owing to absence.

GRADE III.—Edward Sharkey 84, Elmer Erickson 80, Keith Tucker 78, Mary Jones 76; Dorothy Glasgow 75; Stanley Guitner 72; Elsie Stinson 70; Sam Congdon 70; Elmer Pyle 67; Mary Stinson 64; Clarence Barber 63; Bessie Sharkey 63; Don Mathison 60; Frank Matheson 48; Robert Kelm 40; Vera Hatch (not graded).
Grade 2.
Avis Colby 82; Edith Hostrup 78; Harold Tucker 75; Dolon Herbert 74; Leslie Robertson 68; Bernice Maguire 65; Roy Pyle 65.

JUNIOR ROOM REPORT.

Grade 1.

Aletha Knudson, Jim Mathison over 75 percent.
William Milburn, Roy Latner, Ina Mathison, Cathleen Taylor, Harold Elliott, over 60 percent.
Albert Glasgow, Ralph Congdon, over 50 percent.
Harold Barber, Robert Guitner, Fern Stinson over 40 percent.

During January the attendance has been good in spite of the stormy weather. The average daily attendance was 36.65; while the percentage of attendance during January was 89.39.

Vera Hatch has written to some of her school mates from Victoria, B. C. where she is enjoying a six weeks vacation. We hope Vera will soon return as we all miss her very much.
George L. Davies, Teacher.

WINTER

Thank heaven for Winter! I would be glad if it lasted the whole year through, though many persons despise it and grumble its long months away. Through the hushed air the whitening showers descend. At first thin layers, then the soft flakes and last of all the continual flow.

The trees and fields put on their winter robe of purest. The woods bow its hoar head, and the labouring ox stands covered with snow in mute appeal for care and ease.

But in the depth of winter when nature lies despoiled of every charm and wrapped in her shroud of sheeted snow we turn for our gratification, not outward; but inward, into ourselves and to moral sources.

—Annie Kennedy, Grade 9, Irma High School.

ANNUAL MEETING RATEPAYERS

ERS M. D. BATTLE RIVER

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21st

On Saturday afternoon, February 21st the Council of the Municipality of Battle River will hold their annual meeting. At this meeting any ratepayer who has any suggestions to make re the running of the municipality or complaints to make against the present council should be present. At this meeting three councillors will be nominated for the ensuing year and if two nominations are made for any one ward, the election to decide who will be elected will be held on the following Saturday. As a rule too little interest is taken in this important meeting and too much criticism is passed on the men who devote their time in the interest of the ratepayers, in many cases neglecting their own work. If more interest would be shown before election and men elected who are agreeable to the majority of the ratepayers it would be better both for the Councillors and the ratepayers.

Could Stop Loss Caused By Quantity Of Export Wheat Shipped Through U.S. Ports

In the issue of November 5, Canadian Finance called attention to the loss to Canadian wheat interests due to the large proportion of the wheat crop entering export trade through United States ports.

The Moose Jaw Evening Times declares that the greater the increase in exports of Canadian wheat the greater will the loss of such an arrangement be apparent and concludes: "To the Britishers who have built up a great source of national income by furnishing transportation for the world's goods, the position of Canada paying annual tribute to the United States, through both Buffalo and the Panama Canal, while at the time the Hudson Bay route is undeveloped, must seem absurd."

Dealing with the same subject the News Chronicle, Port Arthur, says: "It is a reflection upon the business acumen of Canada that less than one-third of the shipments of grain which pass through Port Arthur and Port William elevators go through the port of Montreal, and two-thirds find their way to the ocean through United States ports."

Hon. H. A. McKeown, in his official capacity as head of the railway commission, proposes to do all he can to promote the use of Canadian ports by Canadian railways. In speaking at a Vancouver banquet he said he would "search diligently for a way to turn grain now going to world markets through the United States ports to the Pacific and Atlantic ports of Canada."

There are many who are of the opinion the chief commissioner can be well employed in advocating completion of the Hudson Bay Railway; so that a comparatively short railway haul will put on a navigable arm of the Atlantic the wheat crop of the west.

Under the caption, "Shortighted Obstruction," the Regina Leader says: "The completion and operation of the Hudson Bay Railway would save at least ten cents, and more likely fifteen cents a bushel on outward bound grain. That would mean \$20,000,000 or \$40,000,000 a year added to the purchasing power of the prairie provinces on 200,000,000 bushels of wheat alone, which will soon be their normal exportable surplus. Add to that the saving that would be effected on other field crops and dairy produce and cattle and the total increase in purchasing power of the prairie provinces through this means alone would approximate \$100,000,000 a year."

"There is not the slightest doubt in the mind of any thinking person familiar with the situation that the completion of the Hudson Bay Railway will be followed by a filling up of these provinces with producers that would give the new route and presently give existing transportation lines all they could do to handle the traffic."

Total Shipments From Vancouver Low

Wheat Movement Will Be Lighter Than Last Year

Though the wheat movement out of Vancouver has, to date, been heavier than last year over the same period, the outlook is that the crop year total will be low. Estimates varying from 18,000,000 bushels to 40,000,000 bushels are being made. Last year at this date the bookings of space were to port capacity through to the end of February. This year the bookings are about 4,000,000 bushels for December and only one ship in January.

Loss Caused Through Insects

North American Continent Poorer By Billion Dollars Yearly

Insects on the North American continent cause destruction amounting to about one billion dollars a year, or five times the amount lost by rust in a year in the whole world, declared Dr. C. L. Metcalf, of the University of Illinois, in an address delivered at the convention of the Ontario Entomological Society, Guelph, Ont. There were at least 500,000 kinds of insects inhabiting the continent, he said.

Silent Airplanes

A silent air fleet is the dream of German aviation experts. A plane that makes practically no noise as it moves through the air has been developed by a group of Berlin engineers. Squadrons of silent air raiders would add grave difficulties to the problems of air defence, it has been pointed out.

A laborer, giving evidence recently at Bamber Bridge police court, London, said he was a rag gatherer, and fortunes were being made at this trade. He said that he himself had gained as much as \$300 in a single week.

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Family Community Centre

Large Family Will Be United On Alberta Farm

Mrs. Bowle, a California widow, with eight stalwart sons, all bent on farming, faced with the possible disintegration of her family, has come to Alberta to keep them together with her. She has purchased three sections, or nearly 2,000 acres of fine farming land, where they will lead a community life. In the centre of the area a house will be erected for Mrs. Bowle and her five unmarried sons. Each of the three married sons will have his own home erected at hand, and a house will be erected for each of the others as he marries. Thus the family will remain united, the houses being a community centre, permitting an exchange of farm equipment and animals and tending towards the more economical operation of the land.

Canadian Waters Kept Stocked With Fish

Many Hatcheries Operated Between Atlantic and Pacific

In order that Canadian waters may be kept well stocked with fish of high quality, the federal department of marine and fisheries operates forty-one fish hatcheries most advantageously situated between the Atlantic and the Pacific. From these hatcheries spawn is distributed for the replenishing of the inland waters. So far as practicable the distribution is arranged on a "stagnant" basis. Streams and lakes are examined and classified according to their physical condition, the extent to which they are fished, and their general value from a fish-producing standpoint.

Settlers' Effects From U.S.

Considerable Increase Is Shown By Recent Returns

An indication of the increase in the value of effects brought into Canada by settlers from the United States is shown in the latest report of the department of trade and commerce. From April 1st to September 30th, 1923, settlers' effects to the value of \$129,339 were brought from the United States into Canada, compared with \$26,687 in the same period last year, an increase of \$102,652. In September of this year the value of settlers' effects brought into the Dominion by former residents of the United States was \$541,123, compared with \$461,519 in August, 1923, and \$503,437 in September, 1922.

Canada's Population Over Nine Million

Statistics Show Increase of Over Half Million Since 1921

Canada's population has increased nearly half a million, since the last census was taken in 1921. Estimates made by the bureau of statistics show increases in every province except Prince Edward Island, where there has been a decline of 600. There has also been a fall of 600 in the population of the Yukon.

Canada's total population for 1924 is estimated at 9,226,740. The population in 1921, as taken by census, was 8,788,483. There is, therefore, an estimated increase of 438,257.

Horse-Pulling Contests

Ontario to Follow Feature Adopted in Western Provinces

Horse-pulling contests, which proved so popular at the Western Canada fairs this year, have been receiving attention in Ontario and will, according to J. Lockie Wilson, of the Ontario department of agriculture, be regular affairs at the provincial plowing match next year. There have been no pulling contests with the regular dynamometer in Ontario yet but one will be on hand for the provincial championship in 1925.

Turpentine and Rosin

The turpentine and rosin industry of the United States had a fifty per cent. increase in the value of its output in the last two years, the United States census bureau reports. The total output was valued at \$38,718,745 for the crop year 1923-24.

More Modern

Grandma—"Now, Tom, hold your head up and shoulders back—you'd like to have a fine carriage when you're a man, wouldn't you?"

Tom—"Well, I'd rather have an airplane."

It is said that there are 2,000,000 laws in the United States; but what about the Ten Commandments?

Russia in Europe and Asia has a population of about 125,000,000.

His Life Threatened



Viscount Allenby, British High Commissioner in Egypt, whose life has been threatened. Viscount Allenby is one of Great Britain's most famous generals.

Trade Within Empire

Greater Market For Canadian Wheat Will Be Made In Britain

It is very probable that as a result of the adoption of a resolution by the British Empire Producers' Organization, Canadian wheat will find a much greater market in Great Britain. The resolution stated it was desirable, on economic and strategic grounds, that the home production of wheat should be materially increased and strongly urged that the wheat which must still be imported after the home supply has been absorbed, should be purchased from the wheat-growing countries of the Empire. The resolution further urged that steps be taken to organize and make fully available the wheat supplies of the empire, and that the government institute make an inquiry with the view of fixing the minimum quota of British annual requirements which should be grown on home soil.

Beekoning On Vancouver Island

Association Has Members As Far North As Prince Rupert

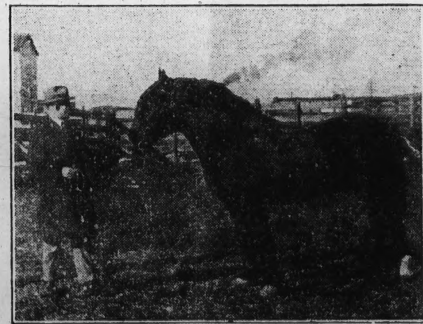
Interest in beekoning has been steadily growing in the Saanich district of Vancouver Island for some time, and for this reason it was decided to form a beekoning association. Accordingly a preliminary meeting was held at the experimental station in 1923, and an association formed. From that beginning it grew to a membership of 36. These members are now from all parts of the Island up to Albert and Alert Bay and even as far north as Prince Rupert.

Canada Buying Less From United States

Exports Show Gain Of \$7,000,000 Over Last Year

Canada is buying less from and selling more to the United States than she was a year ago. In the 12 months ended October, imports from the United States were \$524,000,000, a drop of \$85,000,000 compared with a year ago. Exports to the United States were \$118,000,000, a betterment of \$7,000,000 over a year ago. Canada's balance of trade with the United States, therefore shows an improvement of \$83,000,000.

There is a flat, concrete slab over the unpretentious grave of "Buffalo Bill" Cody on top of Lookout Mountain in Colorado.



Western Stallion for South Africa

Viscount, a percheron stallion two-year-old, bred by George Lane and Company, Pekisko, Alberta, photographed at the Canadian Pacific East End Stockyards, Montreal, where it is awaiting shipment to South Africa. Upon completion of the 35 days ocean trip the horse will be delivered to the High Commissioner of the Union of South Africa, having been sold by Professor G. E. Day, of the Dominion Short-horn Breeder's Association, Guelph, for breeding purposes. Viscount, registered number 11592, was inspected and selected for Professor Day by Professor Carlyle, manager of the Prince of Wales ranch. Valued at \$1,500, the young horse, out of Nasturtium by Tankraas, is the first of its kind to be shipped to South Africa from Canada and its success on the other side will be closely watched by western horse and cattlemen who hope to establish over there a market for breeding and other horses and cattle of Canadian origin.

Certified Seed Potatoes

Freedom From Disease Is of Fundamental Importance

The potato has been greatly improved from a cropping standpoint by the system of seed potato certification carried out by the department of agriculture at Ottawa. Not only does it ensure a crop practically free from disease, but as a result of this a greatly improved yielding ability. As pointed out by the Dominion botanist in an address before the select standing committee on agriculture, disease is a very important factor in reducing yield. That is to say, freedom from disease is of fundamental importance in the potato growing industry. It is immaterial how true a variety may be to name and type, says the Dominion botanist, so long as it is not sound it will never produce a satisfactory crop. Experiments at the central experimental farm carried on some years ago with no means that type of potato which the present certification service is producing today, yielded a crop of 450 bushels to the acre. In a table included in the address, it was shown that the top-year average of the crop grown from certified seed was 235 bushels to the acre. It is assumed from these figures and from other experience, that the yield of potatoes on the farms of Canada may be increased fifty per cent. at least by the use of certified seed.

Good Prices For Wool

Price This Year Thirty Per Cent. Better Than Formerly

Twenty-four cents net per pound in Saskatchewan and 21 1/2 cents per pound in Manitoba, net at the stations, was received by farmers of the two provinces for their wool crop marketed through the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers. Up to November 1st, 224,000 pounds of wool had been shipped from the two provinces, representing 274 producers. 215 from Manitoba and 556 from Saskatchewan. There has been a substantial improvement in grading and the net price is 30 per cent. better than in 1922. There is reported an increase in the demand for goods made from Canadian wool.

B.C. Potato Show

Final plans have been completed for the holding in Vancouver of the annual British Columbia potato show and seed exhibit. The growing of potatoes in this province, both for consumption and seed purposes, has made rapid strides in the past few years and two remarkably fine quality of British Columbia potatoes has been brought about largely as a result of the educational work carried on by this exhibition.

Valuable Sodium Sulphate Deposits

Canada's sodium sulphate deposits of approximately 100,000,000 tons, in its western provinces and chiefly in Saskatchewan, according to L. H. Cole, of the mines branch, of the Dominion Government. To date very little development work has been done on these deposits, but Mr. Cole is of the opinion that these deposits will be developed in time to take care of domestic demands.

Alberta Wheat Pool

Alberta's wheat pool signed up 100,000 acres of wheat land in its drive for membership, just concluded. The pool now has about 2,000,000 acres under contract.

Business establishments of Los Angeles, numbering many hundreds, prohibit all parades in the downtown section of the city on the ground that they demoralize business, incite crime and are a hazard to life and property.

Canada Is The Greatest Producer Of Furs Of Any Country In The World

Natural Resources Bulletin

Winter Fishing An Important Industry In Canada

The Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior at Ottawa, says:

Fishing through the ice in winter is one of the activities of farmers and settlers in many parts of Canada, especially in the neighborhood of lakes. This industry is one of considerable importance in Western Canada, particularly among the poorer lakes. The lack of railways or highways and distance from markets precludes the taking of the fish in the open season, as there are no means of packing the fresh fish for market. With winter, however, fishing is carried on very extensively, and large numbers of men are engaged in delivering the frozen fish to the nearest railway point.

The most important fish taken is the whitefish, although pickerel, lake trout and other species are taken in considerable numbers. When taken the fish are allowed to freeze solid, and are brought in piled up like firewood on sledges.

The cold waters of the northern lakes produce fish of exceptional quality, the flesh not becoming soft, as is often the case with that of fish taken in the warm waters of the more southerly lakes and streams.

A large trade has been built up with the cities of Canada, as also in the middle and eastern states, and good prices are obtained for the winter catch of fish.

In Ontario and Quebec, however, the winter fishing in the smaller lakes and rivers is done for the purpose of securing a domestic food supply, and while there is no means of knowing to what extent this is carried on, there is no doubt whatever that considerable quantities are taken. In this way the fisheries provide a valuable source of food and a change in diet of many who are not always within reach of a fresh meat supply.

New Hungarian Settlement

Reported Large Area of Land to be Purchased in Indian Head District

A comprehensive immigration scheme which will ultimately result in the bringing of 1,000 Hungarian settlers and the purchase of 200,000 acres of farms in Western Canada was outlined at Winnipeg by Aladar De Gedeon, president of the Budapest Agricultural Association, who has been investigating agricultural conditions in the prairie provinces during the past few months.

Mr. Gedeon, who has large interests in Eastern Hungarian farm lands, announced that he had decided to settle in Western Canada and had completed negotiations for the purchase of 16,000 acres at Indian Head, Sask., which will form the nucleus of his personal estate. Altogether, he said, he would require 20,000 acres.

If present negotiations can be carried through, Mr. Gedeon expects to bring 200 families from Hungary next spring. He would not state, however, in what section of the west the land for the immigrants would be purchased. He said his plans had the approval of the Federal Government.

Institute For Plant Research

Would Further Manufacture of Raw Plant Products In Canada

Approving the spirit of a suggestion to form a Canadian institute for horticultural research, a meeting of horticultural enthusiasts appointed a committee to consider the details of organization. It was stated that the benefits to be derived from a national institute for plant research would be felt by all branches of industry in the Dominion, as a product resulting from research would be worthy at once to enter commerce. Not the least of the activities of the institute would be to find a way to further the manufacture of raw plant products in Canada, which products are now largely manufactured abroad.

Men For Anti-Rust Office

The department of agriculture already has started to gather together the technical men needed for the rust research work in Winnipeg. This announcement was made by Hon. W. R. Mott, minister of agriculture.

Treaty Is Signed

The commercial treaty between Czechoslovakia and Austria, based on the Austrian tariff recently passed by the national assembly, has been signed.

Aluminum pots and pans can be cleaned by rubbing with lemon juice, or a mixture of silver sand and lemon juice.

The fur trade has always been one of Canada's essential industries. It was Canada's first and, for a long time, her only industry. It continued to hold its supremacy when Canadian activities broadened out, and when other Dominion industries in development superseded it. It continued to occupy the same high place in relation to the industry in other parts of the world. Canada has always suggested furs, though the exploitation of other natural resources has far outstripped the annual catch in relative value to the country.

Yet from its earliest days, and throughout the history of the industry's development, the fur has never received more than a modicum of the profit derived from the industry. It still quite recently the Dominion was only a source of supply of the raw material which went elsewhere to be marketed and to be manufactured. A step towards greater independence in the industry, and the acquisition of greater profit, was taken after the war when Canada seized the opportunity presented in the disorganization of long-established fur markets to make this disposition her own right. Since that time she has steadily consolidated her position as a world fur market, until now she firmly established in the opinion of buyers from all parts of the globe.

Viewing the next progressive step, it is gratifying to find indication of development in the fur goods industry of Canada. Not only is Canada the greatest producer of furs for the remainder of the globe, as attested by the number of buyers which come to her sales from every part of the world, but by reason of her climates she has to retain a substantial portion of the catch herself or buy it back in a manufactured state.

This fur goods industry of Canada centres mainly about the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, where there are respectively 116 and 62 establishments. There are 21 establishments in Manitoba, 7 in Alberta, 6 each in Saskatchewan and British Columbia, and 2 in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The value of the annual production by provinces is as follows: Ontario, \$6,342,793; Quebec, \$5,502,165; Manitoba, \$604,057; Alberta, \$408,288; British Columbia, \$68,953; Saskatchewan, \$67,842; and the two Maritime Provinces, \$76,162.

Profits of Farmers' Company

United Grain Growers Have A Prosperous Year

In his address at the 18th annual meeting of the United Grain Growers Ltd., held recently at Calgary, Hon. T. A. Cramer, the president, and a former federal minister of agriculture for Canada, stated that the net profit of the company for the year ended on August, 1924, was \$552,432.12, or 12 per cent. of the combined capital and surplus of the company.

An eight per cent. dividend was paid to shareholders of the company in September last on the capital stock, amounting to \$28,176.17. The balance of profit was placed to the credit of profit and loss account which is now \$162,000.

The president stated that the current assets of the company amounted to \$4,706,894.17 against current liabilities of \$1,887,226.41. Current liabilities had not increased during the year while current assets had increased by \$300,000.

C. Rice Jones, vice-president, dealt with the operations of the cattle pool, stating that since the commencement of the pool more than \$45,000 profit had been distributed to the shippers. During the year ended June 30, 1924, the pool listed 100,835 head of cattle.

A Record Salmon Pack

British Columbia has had a record pack of salmon this year, practically all of which has been disposed of. The total pack amounts to 1,650,000 cases, as pounds to the case, of the aggregate value of approximately \$10,000,000. The previous highest pack on record was in 1916, when the total was 1,616,517 cases.

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Viking

When the three rinks from Viking hove into Wainwright last Wednesday to take part in the ninth annual bonspiel classic held in that burg, they found the place buzzing with curlers, even the bagpipers were skirling and adding pep to the roarin' game. Rinks were there from Biggar on the east, and Edmonton on the west. Viking had the most outside rinks present. With Slavik, Graham and McAtthey piloting rinks the array from the gas town looked formidable enough. Graham was in luck right off the bat by drawing three byes. Wednesday morning found the skating rink and curling rink reverberating with the shouts of the ships to their men urging them to sweep, or talking to the rocks that were a little heavy. The seven sheets of ice were about as perfect as could be and some real curling was witnessed during the three days of the spiel. On Thursday evening the curlers held a ball in the Elite theatre at which the visiting curlers were guests of the Wainwright club. This event was very enjoyable. The usual fire also occurred at midnight when one of the rooming houses caught fire and added excitement to the occasion. Friday evening after the bonspiel was over several of the curlers staged an impromptu banquet in the Star Cafe. Some of the curlers provided themselves with as well as curling.

The curling rink was the Grand Challenge from Dawson of Wainwright. Slavik took first in the Calgary Curling Event, second in the Edmonton Curling Event, and was also winner of the Grand Aggregate by winning more games than any other rink at the spiel. Graham got third in the Calgary Curling Event. All the events were won by outside rinks except the Hard Luck which stayed in Wainwright won by Bowerman.

TEMPERANCE WORKERS IN CONVENTION IN TORONTO

The twenty-third convention of the Canadian National Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held January 14th - 16th in Willard Hall, Toronto. The convention was under the direction of the national president, Mrs. Gordon Wright, of London, Ont. Mrs. Wright has again been elected President. This is her nineteenth year in this office. We do not wonder that the women of our dominion have chosen Mrs. Wright so often for their leader. She has a fund of information regarding temperance work and the world's condition in general, and an interesting way of imparting this knowledge to those to whom she is speaking. She seems to always have the right word for the occasion at hand.

Mrs. L. C. McKinney, our Provincial President, who is national vice-president, was at Mrs. Wright's right hand more than ever we were made to realize the wonderful ability of our own president. There were three full days of convention filled full of reports of work done and plans for future work. Prayers of thankfulness arose to God from every woman's heart—that Ontario had "lived the Line" of the onrush of the liquor traffic from coast to coast. However they do not consider their position secure. They have "gone over the top," now it remains for them to "dig themselves in," and in order to do this they have prepared a campaign of extensive organization and education among women and children.

There were many reports that were encouraging and some otherwise, but the note running through all can be summed up in two words "Carry On." Yes the work must go on with women, our young people, and children. Missionary work, Legislation and Petition, in fact it must be carried on in all the departments of the Dominion W. C. T. U.

With a realization of the fight ahead there is to be no slacking of work until not only our Dominion but the whole world is under a prohibitory law.

Annie C. Hilliker, Provincial Delegate

The Viking hockey team met the Holden team twice last week, winning at home by 6 to 5 in a very good game and losing at Holden, 6 to 2. Both games were of a high calibre and the boys were in good form.

Messrs. A. Holmberg, A. Fors and T. W. Swift left on Monday to attend the school trustees convention in Calgary this week.

W. E. McDonald since returning from Calgary where he had been on Rural Credit business has been laid up with a very bad cold.

Little Howard Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Armstrong, who has been suffering from scarlet fever is improving nicely.

Messrs. J. A. Litality and L. O. Wollen left on Monday for Calgary to attend the Dairyman's convention.

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Cook one quart of Cranberries in pint of water. Then add one pint of sugar and cook till it look like jelly when it is dropped from a spoon. Put in a mould to set.

Cranberry Pudding

One cup of sugar, two tablespoons of butter, two egg yolks, half cup of milk, one and three-quarter cups of flour, one teaspoon baking powder, two cups of uncooked cranberries. Bake slowly for one hour.

Mock Cherry Pie

Two cups cranberries cut in two and seeds washed out, one cup raisins, one and a half cups sugar, two teaspoons vanilla, one tablespoon flour, one cup cold water. Boil. Bake with two crusts.

A Good Cough Syrup

1 Cup of Flaxseed, 1 pk. Horehound, 3 sticks Slippery Elm Bark, about 4 inches long, 1 lb. loaf Sugar, 3 lemons.

Soak over night, flaxseed, horehound and elm bark in about one quart of water. Then strain several times through cheese cloth, then boil in sugar and lemon juice until it thickens.

Carrot Marmalade

2 cupfuls cooked carrots, 2 cupfuls sugar, 2 lemons.
Wash and scrape the carrots and cook in boiling water until tender. Drain and put through the meat chopper. Add juice and rind of lemons and the sugar. Cook slowly for about half an hour or until the consistency of marmalade. This quantity will fill 6 jelly glasses.

Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ambler have left for an extended trip through the East.

L. C. Hatch shipped a car of hogs to Edmonton Monday night.

Mr. S. Prosser has been in Calgary this week.

Mrs. H. W. Love has been confined to the house the past week with a bad cold.

The Irma Ladies Aid will meet next Thursday afternoon, February 12th with Mrs. A. F. Tucker.

Mrs. McMillan, returned Wednesday night after undergoing a slight operation at the Viking hospital.

Several impounding notices arrive too late for this issue will appear in next week's paper.

Miss Hazel Bullock, of Ponoka, has been renewing acquaintances with friends in Irma this week.

Mrs. Grover Arnold has returned to Irma after spending a couple of weeks in the Viking hospital.

Several cars of horses and cattle from the J. G. Clark farm were sold by auction at Mondare last week.

Mr. A. R. McDougall, travelling passenger agent for the C. N. R. spent Thursday in Irma, in the interest of his company's business.

The Women's Missionary Society, intend giving a silver tea at the home of Mrs. Ross McFarland, on Saturday afternoon, February 14th.

Mr. J. Redington has been placed in charge of the Irma depot as night operator in place of S. J. Dewar who has accepted a position at Edmonton.

As Andy was successful in keeping the ground hog from seeing his shadow, he will return to his hole and we can expect six weeks more winter. This may work in some eastern country where the winter is generally cloudy, but in Sunny Alberta, where the sun always shines we have our doubts. However, A. G. Walker says he saw one peeping out of his hole early Monday morning. Andy says he got a big stick and just as he went to come out, he hit him such a crack over the head that he never showed up again. Sunday was one of the worst days we have had for some years, the thermometer hovered around 20 below with a strong east wind blowing. Monday the weather moderated and since then it has been thawing and it looks as if the worst of the winter was over. Several crows have been seen in the district and other indications point to a fairly early spring.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. Shots, of Orindale, at Mannville hospital on February 1st a daughter. We understand both are doing nicely.

Mr. A. K. Madsen, manager of the Irma Creamery is attending the dairy convention at Calgary this week.

Last Tuesday the Council of the Municipality of Battle River, met and considered a number of appeals on the new assessment made the past summer.

Albert School opened last Monday morning with Wilson Parker, of Ardrosin, in charge. Mr. Parker is a brother of the teacher who handled the school last term.

The stork left a son with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Steele on Friday, January 30th. Mrs. Steele and baby are doing nicely, and Billie is doing as well as can be expected.

Mr. A. T. Atchinson, has rented the Clark farm and intends moving on in time to get it cropped this spring. Mr. Atchinson has been farming in the Coal Springs district for the past year.

The Irma branch of the U. G. Grain Co. had their annual meeting at Irma, Wednesday afternoon when the President presented an interesting report and other important business was transacted. We expect to have a copy of the minutes of the meeting for publication next week.

The C. N. R. have installed a night operator in the Irma station, for the present Mr. S. J. Dewar is in charge of the wires. Mr. Dewar has been here in the same capacity before and several of his old friends are glad to see him return.

Two cars of horses have been shipped to Edmonton last week. Monday early Jones took one car and Wednesday Kasten Brothers sold a car load to an Edmonton dealer. Should the horse market improve as expected, there are a lot of surplus horses waiting buyers in the district.

Mr. F. Peterson, returned last Saturday night after assisting with the Provincial Seed Fair at Calgary. Mr. Peterson reports one of the best fairs, both in number and class of exhibits, and in attendance, he has ever attended.

Mr. Mr. J. Elliott, president of the Irma Agricultural Society, left Tuesday morning to attend the Alberta Fairs convention at Calgary. After attending this convention Mr. Elliott expects to go to Vancouver to attend the convention of the Red Poll Association of which he is a prominent officer.

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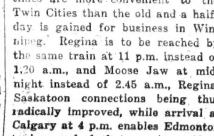
Mineral production in Canada for 1924 is estimated at \$203,194,000, as compared with \$214,079,331 in the preceding year, according to a preliminary statement issued by the Department of Mines. Metallic minerals accounted for \$96,034,000 of the total, followed by fuels and other non-metallics with \$73,830,000, and structural materials and clay products with \$33,330,000.

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MRS. A. A. FOULGER

A black and white portrait of a woman, identified as Mrs. A. A. Foulger. She is wearing a dark, high-collared dress and a light-colored hat with a veil. The portrait is positioned to the left of the text 'MRS. A. A. FOULGER'.

"He was that," admitted Brewster, "and he had a hang-over this morning. But how he ever imagined—Oh, well, there's no harm done, for as it was only a drunken dream, I was afraid Hardley would lose another day getting after the Seymour murderers and I didn't want to see you suffer from his foolishness. But you

CHAPTER XXI.

The Closed Creek

as it was only a drunken dream. I was afraid Hardley would lose another day getting after the Seymour murderers and I didn't want to see you suffer from his foolishness. But you picked a queer place to camp, strangle me. Didn't you know that Glacier Creek is closed?"

The sergeant had not heard that and was curious to know how it

"When——?" was all he was able to gasp as he reached out for both her hands.

"Last night's stage—— To think that you—— Oh! Ruth has told

CHAPTER XXII.

A Figure Of Speed

"When——?" was all he was able to gasp as he reached out for both her hands.

"Last night's stage—— To think that you—— Oh! Ruth has told me all about how finely you're taken hold of the situation!"

"And Miss Ruth—where is she?" he asked.

"She's had a hard blow in the death

No More Constipation or Blotchy Skin



"His report," Molra went on, "worse than father had feared. Merciless scoundrels had no slaves of all our people, plying them with liquor and working them hardening hours under the whip. I thought the slaves knew their rights of oppression were numbered, they were trying to strip the claims of f

The girl, it seemed, spoke the tongue of the provincial Indians fluently.

(To be continued)

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Then along came Bonnemort and Kluger, a shrewd pair from some where back in Eastern Canada. They saw a chance of operating the Glacier Creek diggings on a large scale. The Bonnemort of the combination admitted to being a half-breed, and he knew how to handle the Siwash. Before the missionary knew what was up, the

Getting Bald?

seal three times a week with Minard's.



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Auditor's Financial Statement and Annual Returns of the Municipal District of Battle River No. 423 for the Year 1924

Receipts				Assets				Indemnity Council Meetings and Mileage											
Credit Bal. as per Bank Pass Books at Dec. 31, 1923				Balance Dec. 31st, 1924				Meetings		Mileage		Bal. Due from Previous Yr.		Total Due		Bal. Owing at Dec. 31, 1924			
Dec. 31, 1923				Total Bank Balances as per Pass Bks				Num.		Rate		Num.		Rate		Num.			
Cash on Hand at Dec. 31, 1923				Uncollected—Municipal Taxes				N. Merrick		80		10c		8.00		\$8.00			
Municipal Taxes				Supplementary Revenue Taxes				N. V. King		266		10c		26.60		66.60			
Supplementary Revenue Taxes				Wild Lands Taxes				A. E. Blackley		108		10c		10.80		46.80			
Wild Lands Taxes				Educational Taxes				J. J. Armstrong		48		10c		4.80		44.80			
Educational Taxes				School Taxes				R. D. Smallwood		114		11.40		13.20		72.60			
School Taxes				Hail Insurance Taxes				A. A. Fischer		110		11.00		12.00		78.00			
Hail Insurance Taxes				Advances repaid during Current Year for Seed				W. A. Burton		108		10.80		8.80		88.80			
Advances repaid during Current Year for Seed				Grain, Feed, Relief				G. B. Golding		384		38.40		86.40		86.40			
Grain, Feed, Relief				Loans Current Year:				70		\$291.00		1218		\$121.80		\$75.00			
Loans Current Year:				Municipal \$3,000.00; School \$2,000.00															
Municipal \$3,000.00; School \$2,000.00				Taxes Certificate Fees															
Taxes Certificate Fees				Refunds															
Refunds				Redemption Certificates															
Redemption Certificates				Transfer Fees															
Transfer Fees				Redemption fees															
Redemption fees				Cemetery Fees															
Cemetery Fees				Recovered on Seed Grain and Refunded															
Recovered on Seed Grain and Refunded				Pound Act, \$14.90; Compensation from C. N. R.															
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Div. 2, \$500.00				Government Grant															
Government Grant				Medical Aid															
Medical Aid				Overpaid															
Overpaid				Total Outstanding Cheques at Dec. 31, 1924:															
Total Outstanding Cheques at Dec. 31, 1924:				Municipal Account															
Municipal Account				School Taxes Trust Account															
School Taxes Trust Account				TOTAL															
TOTAL				\$58,682.13															
Disbursements				Liabilities				Report of Remuneration of Councillors for Supervision of Roads											
Total Cheques Outstanding at Dec. 31, 1923				Total Outstanding Cheques at Dec. 31, 1924				Div. or Township		Name of Councillor		Days Engaged		Rate for Day		Amount Due		Total Due	
Paid Dept. of Municipal Affairs:				Total Current Taxes				Div. 1. N. V. King		2 1/2		4		\$8.00		40		\$20.00	
Supplementary Revenue Taxes				Total Uncollected at Dec. 31, 1923				Div. 2. A. E. Blackley		2 1/2		4		10.00		60		\$12.00	
Wild Lands Taxes				Total Uncollected at Dec. 31, 1924				Div. 3. R. D. Smallwood		4		16.00		90		9.00		\$25.00	
Educational Taxes				Total Current Taxes				Div. 4. A. A. Fischer		4		16.00		90		9.00		\$25.00	
Paid School Boards on School Est. (or Coll'n)				Total Uncollected at Dec. 31, 1924				Div. 5. W. A. Burton		4		32.00		150		19.00		\$1.00	
Paid Hail Board on Hail Insurance Levy				Total Current Taxes				Div. 6. G. B. Golding		2 1/2		4		10.00		40		\$12.00	
Loans:				Total Current Taxes				Totals		22 1/2				\$90.00		507		\$50.70	
Municipal—Principal \$3000.00, Interest 130.87				Total Current Taxes															
Seed Grain—Principal \$2252.56				Total Current Taxes															
Salaries: Sec. Treas. \$1500.00, Assessor \$400.00				Total Current Taxes															
Auditor				Total Current Taxes															
Councillors Fees for Council Meetings, Attendance and Mileage				Total Current Taxes															
Councillors Fees for Supervision of Roads				Total Current Taxes															
Secretary-Treasurer's Bond				Total Current Taxes															
Postage, Stationery, Office Supplies, Fuel, Lights, Telephones, etc.				Total Current Taxes															
Delegates Expenses and Membership Fee				Total Current Taxes															
Election Expenses				Total Current Taxes															
Labor				Total Current Taxes															
Machinery and Repairs				Total Current Taxes															
Land and Surveys				Total Current Taxes															
Caveats				Total Current Taxes															
Livestock				Total Current Taxes															
Found Account				Total Current Taxes															
Commission on Seed Grain Collections				Total Current Taxes															
Commission on Irma & Wainwright School Coll.				Total Current Taxes															
Hos. Fees \$200.00, Taxes \$129.10, Comm. Mts. \$129.10				Total Current Taxes															
Insur. \$6.60, Registering Titles \$57.85				Total Current Taxes															
R. J. Tate error in 1919				Total Current Taxes															
Legal Fees \$64.15, Advertising \$70.95				Total Current Taxes															
Grader rep. \$19.75				Total Current Taxes															
Weed Inspect. \$2.60, Cemetery Survey \$15.50				Total Current Taxes															
Cartage \$1.75, Abstracts \$10.10, Brand book \$8.10				Total Current Taxes															
Inspection Adding Machine				Total Current Taxes															
Work. Comp.				Total Current Taxes															
Seed Grain Payments Refunded				Total Current Taxes															
Credit Bal. at Dec. 31, 1924 as per Bank Pass Bks:				Total Current Taxes															
Municipal Act (Gen.) Bank \$2245.29				Total Current Taxes															
Cash				Total Current Taxes															
Prov. Taxes Trust Act. Bank 1969.83				Total Current Taxes															
Cash				Total Current Taxes															
School Taxes Trust Act. Bank 396.64				Total Current Taxes															
Cash				Total Current Taxes															
Seed Grain, Feed & Relief Bank 32.75				Total Current Taxes															
Total Bank Balances				Total Current Taxes															
Cash on hand				Total Current Taxes															
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